

**AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE**

**Please note that Applicant has amended the title of the present application to read as follows:**

**"KNITTING METHOD AND APPARATUS USING STRETCH YARN"**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

***Page 3, delete the paragraph starting with the words “The invention provides...” listed under Disclosure of the Invention and before the paragraph starting with the words “Moreover, the invention...”, and replace it with the following new paragraph:***

The invention provides a knitting method using a stretch yarn for knitting a fabric with a stretch yarn by a knitting machine capable of controlling yarn tension, comprising:

predetermining data specifying relationships between a feed length of the stretch yarn to be used for knitting fed to the knitting machine and a yarn length in a finished state of a knitted fabric obtained by shape memory properties of the stretch yarn, by changing gradually for each of different yarn tensions of the stretch yarn;

specifying the finished state of the knitted fabric;

and

knitting a fabric while feeding the stretch yarn to the knitting machine according to the finished state specified, the yarn tension having the relationships to the data, and the feed length of the stretch yarn.

***Page 4, delete the paragraph starting with the words “The invention also provides...” finishing on the top of page 5, and replace it with the following new paragraph:***

The invention also provides a knitting apparatus using a stretch yarn for knitting a fabric with a stretch yarn by a knitting machine, comprising:

data storage means for predetermining and storing data specifying relationships between a feed length of the stretch yarn to be used for knitting fed to the knitting machine and a yarn length in a finished state of a knitted fabric obtained by shape memory properties of the stretch yarn, ~~by changing gradually for each of different yarn~~ tensions of the stretch yarn;

specification input means for inputting a specification of the finished state of the knitted fabric; and

control means for creating control data for forming a knitted fabric with reference to the data stored in the data storage means, while feeding the stretch yarn in the feed length and under the yarn tension corresponding to the finished state of the knitted fabric, so that the knitted fabric is brought into the finished state inputted to the specification input means.